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FROMME HAD NO TROUBLE GETTING AWAY FROM N. Y.

New York, May 24.—Secretary Foster of the Giants says there is a wrong impression abroad that Arthur Fromme, former pitcher of the Giants, was forced to supply to the National Commission for his unconditional release. Foster says that Fromme informed the club that this was his tenth season in the big league, but as the guides did not show Fromme pitched for the Cardinals in 1906 Foster was forced to investigate.

He discovered that Arthur worked in three games for St. Louis in the fall of 1906, which would make his sixth year in big company, and he was accordingly given his unconditional release. Fromme, until last Thursday's game, remained on the Polo Grounds, as he received salary for ten days, according to the ten-day release clause in his contract.

Fromme is angling for a Pacific Coast league job, and hopes to catch on with Venice. As his home is in Los Angeles, he naturally prefers to play in California. He says he has no objection to playing for Jersey City other than his preference to be near his home. His negotiations with the Venice club were temporarily halted by the unexpected decease of their former manager, Hap Hogan.

The time is now coming when Mother's problem will not be how to get the boys to take their Saturday night bath, but how to keep them from going in bathing two or three times a day.

Captain Edmund Thery, well known economist, estimates that the total military expenditure of the first year of the war will be \$10,000,000.

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DAN GRINER, OF ST. LOUIS NATIONALS, FORGES TO FRONT AS PREMIER PITCHER



DAN GRINER

Fans here are enthusiastic over the recent feat performed by Dan Griner. In a game against the Philadelphia Nationals played in Philadelphia, Griner mowed down the opposing batsmen like shrapnel. He pitched to only twenty-seven men in nine innings. Griner was touched up for only two singles, and he did not give a pass. He was given perfect support by his teammates.

YANKS LOSE THREE STRAIGHT TO ST. LOUIS

St. Louis, May, 24.—Ray Caldwell was outpitched by Carl Wellman, and the Yanks lost their third successive game to the Browns yesterday afternoon, the score being 4 to 3. Another belated rally, this time in the ninth inning, enabled the Browns to win. At the start of the last half of the frame the score was 3 to 3, but

a pair of singles with a sacrifice sandwiched between, permitted the St. Louisians to shove over the winning marker. Five hits, a couple of which were scratches, formed the total of safeties tallied off Wellman. One of the fluke blows was a double that dropped just behind first base between Pratt and Leary and gave the Yanks their first run and put the second in a scoring position.

Off Caldwell the Browns poled eight hits and scored all their runs on their merits. Seven of the eight hits made by the Rickerless team figured in the run getting. The game was an excellent one to watch, both sides turning fielding features. This was especially true of both outfields, the fly chasers turning what looked like extra base hits into putouts.

CHANGES IN ALL BIG LEAGUE STANDING KEEPS FANS' INTEREST

Martin, Who Pitched Here Early in Season, Deserts Colonial League

(By Wagner.)

Upheavals in the American and National league standings are holding the interest of fans. The Philadelphia club, which took an early season lead, has been dropping steadily and at last has yielded first place to Chicago. The Pittsburgh Pirates, looked upon as a joke in the first weeks of the campaign, have jumped to third place. The Boston Braves have been plodding along fairly well but have missed the energetic presence of John Evers. When he gets back into the game this week Stallings' men are apt to climb. It seems strange to see the Giants in last place but as McGraw's boys are hitting hard and the pitchers show signs of improvement the club will probably break into the first division soon.

In the American league the Chicago White Sox dashed into first place. Manager Clarence Rowland, who was laughed at as a bush leaguer, has the Sox going at a fine pace. The Yankees met unexpected reverses in St. Louis and dropped to third place. The Boston club has about managed to hold its own on the western tour. When the western clubs invade the east the real strength of Chicago and Detroit will be known. If they prove to be good road clubs the championship is likely to go west this year.

Martin, who pitched several exhibitions for the Bridgeport club this year, has jumped the Pawtucket Colonial league club for Lewiston of the New England league. Martin pitched in Pawtucket under the name of Williams. He looked like a good prospect when he was here. Secretary Reddy of the local club recommended him to Lewiston.

Just as the Pittsburgh Pirates thought they were getting ready to break into the pennant class, they were whitewashed 8 to 0 by the Long Branch Cubans. The sad blow fell

yesterday.

Jimmy Curry, who was with Hartford last season, is hitting hard for Birmingham of the New York State league. Bill Powers, the New London baseballer, is pitching for the same club.

The New England intercollegiate meet was captured by Dartmouth last Saturday. The event was held at Cambridge, Mass. Maine was second and Bowdoin third.

They couldn't keep Ty Cobb out of the headline position very long. As soon as he awoke to the fact that Fournier of the White Sox was leading the American league in hitting, the Georgia Peach made terrible inroads upon opposing pitchers and as a result is heading the procession today. Fournier is in second place, though.

The New Haven and Pawtucket clubs of the Colonial league played at Savin Rock yesterday before a crowd of 2,500. Bill Chapelle, the former Brooklyn twirler, whitewashed Pawtucket by 4 to 0, giving them one hit.

Tommy Downey of this city, got a home run and a single for the Buffalo Federals in Kansas City yesterday. Tommy is leading off in the batting order. He is playing second base.

Jack Collins, who graduated from Springfield to the Chicago White Sox a few years ago, helped his club beat Boston yesterday by pounding out a double and single.

Guy Morton, last year with Waterbury, pitched for Cleveland against Washington yesterday and lost by 4 to 1. No wonder he lost. He had Walter Johnson working against him.

Thousands whether they pitch a game or not.

Speaker's contract runs out this fall. Will Lannin renew it at \$17,500? The answer is emphatically no, and there will be no renewals of any of the war contracts.

From what we hear now, O. B. though highly pleased at the poor business of the Feds, has a secret truce with the independents that there be no contract jumping or any other kind of jumping until the end of the season, when the entire baseball situation will be overhauled and a brand-new baseball may be devised.

YALE'S HOPE OF BASEBALL TITLE FADING

New Haven, May 24.—Yale hopes of producing a winning baseball nine this season have faded rapidly the past fortnight. Losses of games to Williams, Dartmouth and Brown, all on the home diamond, have depressed the undergraduates and have created a feeling that the team's pitching staff is unreliable and the batting inferior to Yale nines of the past two seasons.

The veteran Pie Way has been ineffective for two weeks and has been punished severely by the minor colleges. Spencer Pumpelly and Underwood, the second-string pitchers, have failed to develop form which will entitle them to consideration in the Princeton and Harvard series which begins the coming week.

Both have weakened and have been displaced by Way in games against the minor colleges. The Yale nines, however, neither has realized the promise shown in early season game practice. Larry Walsh and Dick Watrous are also disappointments and neither has been presented to an opposing team for three weeks.

Yale has only opponents of the highest rank left on her schedule. Way will undoubtedly face Princeton in opening the series with the Tigers here next Saturday. There is little chance of any shakeup in the team's ranks, although the return of Vaughn, the former Exeter star, to left field is a possibility. Vaughn was injured just after the Exeter trip, but has completely recovered. His form in the early games showed only inferior fielding ability. He played through the Easter trip for an average of .750 and batted for only .192.

SECRET TRUCE WITH FEDERALS DURING SEASON

New York, May 24.—The Federal league attendance has shown very little increase over a year ago. In Brooklyn there has been no increase over the slim patronage of a year ago. The officials at Washington Park blame much of their bad business on their opening day. They had a fine crowd on this day, when many people saw their first game. It was such a wretched affair that they never came back.

Newark is doing very well, as its Sunday crowds at big league prices, have been excellent, though the club averages little above 1,000 on a week-day. Chicago is about the same as it was a year ago, perhaps a little under the 1914 showing.

Attendance will not go up until there is peace. The Federal league has been under very heavy expenses and is taking in little at the gate, how many Organized baseball teams are making money with salary lists over the \$100,000?

How many paid admissions will Joe Lannin have to take in to pay the salaries of his \$45,000 pitching staff and to meet Tris Speaker's stipend of \$17,500? And according to their war contracts, Joe Wood, Vean Gregg and Dutch Leonard get their

DONLIN'S PLAYERS TROUGH REM-YOSTS

Mike Donlin's team invaded Yost field yesterday afternoon and provided a snappy contest for a crowd of 400 fans. Donlin's aggregation won by 5 to 3 but the fans were satisfied. Andy Coakley, who twirled for the Philadelphia Athletics and Chicago Cubs in the old days, worked for Donlin's men. Coakley didn't exert himself until he got in a pinch. The Remington-Yosts mangled him for nine hits but didn't do much until Coakley's team had a big lead.

Donlin was gazed at with considerable admiration by the crowd. The old Giant star still has his batting eye as evidenced by his two hits, one of them a home run. Coles of the Yosts also got a homer. Scoop Seary pitched good ball for the Yosts except in the sixth. Manager Keenan is trying to bring Home Run Bars 2 team here next Sunday. The score:

Donlin's Stars.		ab.	r.	h.	po.	a.	e.
Adler, 3b.	.....	4	0	0	2	1	0
Ettlinger, ss.	.....	3	1	0	0	1	1
Donlin, 1b.	.....	3	3	2	10	2	0
Partheimer, 2b.	.....	3	0	1	0	4	0
Mahoney, cf.	.....	4	1	1	10	1	0
Harrison, lf.	.....	4	0	2	0	0	0
Collins, cf.	.....	4	0	0	1	0	0
Boehme, rf.	.....	4	0	4	1	0	0
Coakley, p.	.....	2	0	0	2	2	0

Total.....31 5 6 26 10 2
*Norris out; falling to touch second base.

Remington-Yost.		ab.	r.	h.	po.	a.	e.
Dousky, 2b.	.....	5	1	2	3	0	0
Reilly, 3b.	.....	4	0	2	1	1	0
Norris, 1b.	.....	4	0	1	7	0	0
Burke, lf.	.....	4	0	1	3	0	0
Hurley, cf.	.....	4	0	0	1	0	1
Cole, ss.	.....	4	1	1	0	3	0
Kerr, c.	.....	4	1	0	11	2	0
McCormack, rf.	.....	4	0	2	1	0	0
Curry, p.	.....	4	0	0	0	3	0

Total.....37 3 9 27 9 1
Score by Innings.
Donlin's Stars 1 0 0 1 0 3 0 0 0 5
Rem-Yost 0 0 0 0 0 1 1 1 5

Summary:—Two base hits, Partheimer, Dousky, McCormack 2. Home runs, Donlin, Cole. First on Balls. Errors, 3. First on Errors, Stars 1, Rem-Yost 2. Left on bases, Stars 2, Rem-Yost 7. Sacrifice hit, Partheimer. Stolen Bases, Adler, Mahoney, Reilly, Burke. Struck out by Curry 11; by Coakley, 10. Umpire Downey.

Rejoicing over his victory of William Barnes, but worried by the ordeal of the trial at Syracuse, Colonel Roosevelt passed Sunday with his family at Oyster Bay.

Italians resident in San Francisco have taken steps to raise large sums of money for Red Cross purposes in the event of Italy joining the war.

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MERKLE HAS NOSE BROKEN IN EXHIBITION

Perth Amboy, N. J., May 24.—Although the Giants won a pitchers' battle here yesterday by a 3 to 0 score, they lost the services of Fred Merkle again. In the second inning Merkle suffered a broken nose when he was hit by a thrown ball in a run-down between second and first.

Merkle attempted to steal second, but the throw had him beat by year. He turned back, and in the exchange of throws which followed Merkle was hit in the nose when he turned his head to watch Ruddy, who was running him down.

Cliff Randolph pitched a great game for Perth Amboy, fanning twelve of the Giants. Three successive errors by the local shortstop gave the Giants their three runs, all of which were scored without the aid of a hit in the ninth inning.

SINGERS DEFEAT NORWALK ON GOOD WORK BY STEGNER

Pitching the best game of his career, Stegner, of the Singer Co., held the fast Norwalks to two hits yesterday and shut them out without a score. After Cawley had gone out in the fourth inning, Lindley hit a line drive to the left field fence, fast fielding on the part of Moshier holding him to three bases. Mangus went out, Christy to Laubscher, Christy holding Lindley on third. McErney went out Carter to Laubscher for the third out. In the sixth Finn was forced on Christy's error but was saved by Falsey. Falsey stole second, taking third on Carter's error of a slow ball hit by Cawley. Carter recovered too late to catch the runner but Laubscher by a quick throw to Lavery nailed Falsey at the plate. The visitors threatened to score. In the ninth after two were gone Mangus, last season with the New Haven team in the Eastern Association, hit a Texas Leaguer to fight. These two hits by the visitors and two fly balls to center were the only hits out of the infield made off Stegner.

The local team scored two in the first on doubles by Noonan and Horkheimer and a single by Moshier. In the fifth Lavery singled taking second on a passed ball and scored on a single by Stegner. Aside from these two innings Finn pitched good ball, fanning nine of the locals. After the good showing of his team yesterday, Mgr. Andres is anxious to even the score with the Humphries of New Haven for the defeat that they handed the Singers early in their season and has arranged a game with them for next Sunday at Newfield park.

NORWALKS.		ab.	r.	h.	po.	a.	e.
Falsey, 3b.	.....	4	0	0	0	4	0
Cawley, 2b.	.....	4	0	0	1	4	0
Lindley, c.	.....	4	0	1	5	4	0
Mangus, cf.	.....	4	1	0	0	0	1
McErney, ss.	.....	4	0	0	0	0	0
Gearin, 1b.	.....	3	0	0	13	1	0
Volk, lf.	.....	2	0	0	0	0	0
Connolly, rf.	.....	3	0	0	0	0	0
Finn, p.	.....	3	0	0	1	3	0

Total.....30 0 2 24 13 0
SINGERS.

SINGERS.		ab.	r.	h.	po.	a.	e.
Noonan, cf.	.....	2	1	1	2	0	0
Horkheimer, ss.	.....	4	1	1	3	1	0
O'Connell, rf.	.....	3	0	0	0	0	0
Moshier, lf.	.....	3	0	1	0	0	0
Carter, 2b.	.....	3	0	1	3	2	0
Christy, 3b.	.....	2	0	0	0	0	0
I. Laubscher, 1b.	.....	2	0	0	13	1	0
Lavery, c.	.....	3	1	1	5	0	0
Stegner, p.	.....	3	0	2	1	3	0

Total.....27 3 7 27 16 4
Score by Innings:
Norwalks.....0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
Singers.....0 0 0 1 0 0 0 3 3

Summary: Two base hits, Noonan, Horkheimer. Three base hits, Lindley. Hit by pitcher, Noonan. First on balls, Stegner 1. First on errors, Norwalks 3. Left on bases, Norwalks 3; Singers 2. Sacrifice hits, Connolly, Christy. Stolen bases, Falsey, Moshier. Struck out by Finn 9; Stegner 4. Double plays, Carter to Horkheimer to Laubscher. Passed balls, Lindley 1. Attendance, 250. Umpire, Liggins. Time, 1:30.

AUTO DRIVER HURT AS CAR TURNS TURTLE

Indianapolis, Ind., May 24.—In the most spectacular accident witnessed at the Indianapolis motor speedway John De Palma, brother of Ralph De Palma, yesterday wrecked the Delage car he was nominated to drive in the big 500-mile race next Saturday, while speeding at the rate of 75 miles an hour the machine skidded on the northwest turn of the big oval and crashed through the cement retaining wall which is a foot thick and turned over six times before coming to a stop.

Fifteen feet of the wall was torn out, so terrific was the impact, and when the ambulance was hurried to the scene of the accident, both were painfully injured but it was said at the Methodist Hospital last night both De Palma and Phillips would recover unless unforeseen internal injuries developed.

The car wrecked by De Palma was the same machine which won the international event a year ago. There is little possibility that it can be repaired in time for next Saturday's race.

WORLD'S CYCLING RECORD IS BROKEN BY FRANK CRAMER

Newark, May 24.—Frank L. Kramer, the American cycling champion, won additional laurels yesterday at the Newark Velodrome, when he established a new professional world's record for the third-of-a-mile distance, his time being 0:38 2-5. The mark which his performance displaces the figures of 0:37 3-5 was made by Paddy O'Sullivan Hehir, the Australian sprinter, at the Newark Velodrome on Oct. 2, 1910. Kramer made the new record in one of the heats of the race, just beating out Reggie McNamara, who had a fifteen-yard handicap.

BROOKLAWN CLUB HAS FORMAL OPENING

A large number turned out for the formal opening of the Brooklawn club season Saturday. There was a golf tournament in the afternoon, about 300 dined at the club and later there was a dance which proved popular. H. A. Staples won the vice-president's cup presented by Waldo C. Bryant. Staples had a net score of 74, his handicap being 33. Henry B. Stoddard and Elmer H. Havens each scored 77. Havens had a handicap of 22 and Stoddard of six. On account of the bad weather the ladies' putting contest was postponed.

HARVARD OARSMEN SURPRISE CORNELL BY WINNING RACE

Ithaca, N. Y., May 24.—Cornell rowers received the surprise of their lives Saturday when the Harvard crew beat the Cornell Varsity by a half length. It was the first race Harvard has won in the history of the Lake Cayuga regattas. Harvard took the lead at the start and was never headed. Yale beat Cornell and Princeton on May 16 so the Yale-Harvard race will be the more interesting on that account. Even though Courtney used exactly the same combination which lost a week ago on Lake Carnegie, it was the consensus of opinion that one week more would show a Cornell crew second to none. The Cornell Varsity eight did show improvement, but it is evident that the Ithaca crew is a formidable combination. This was borne out by the fact that the usual final apart was lacking.

Harvard displayed one of the most finished crews ever seen on Cayuga Lake. The visitors' rowing was even better than the combination was capable of making a spurt when Cornell pressed hard. The Cornell freshmen won over the Harvard youngsters with a half length of open water.

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